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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Serial No. : Hitoshi KIMURA et al.  
 For : INFORMATION STORAGE METHOD, INFORMATION STORAGE DEVICE AND RECORDING MEDIUM  
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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
 COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
 Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required.
- The fee has been calculated as shown below.
- This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

Claims as Amended

| (1)  | (2)<br>Claims remaining<br>after amendment | (3)   | (4)<br>Highest number<br>previously<br>paid for | (5)<br>Present extra | (6)<br>Rate | (7)<br>Additional<br>fee |
|--|--|-------|---|----------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Total claims                               | 34   | Minus | 43 =  | 0 ×                  | \$18(9)     | = \$0                    |
| Independent claims                         | 4  | Minus | 4 =   | 0 ×                  | \$86(43)    | = \$0                    |
| Total additional fee for<br>this amendment |  |       |   |                      |             | = \$0                    |

- \* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.
- \*\* If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
- \*\*\* If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space.
- This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$290 (\$145) has been previously paid , or is paid herewith .
- This response is being filed within the \_\_\_\_\_ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a -month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- A USPTO Form 2038 – Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.00 is attached, which covers the cost of  additional claims and  -month petition for extension of time.
- Charge \$\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
- Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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